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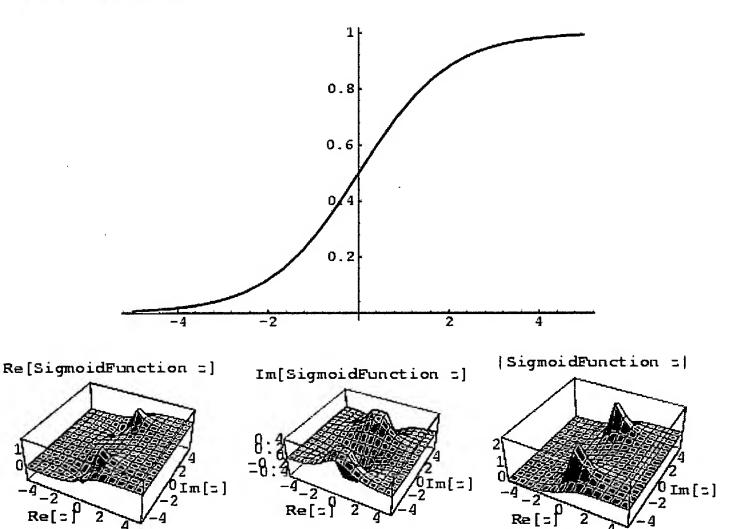
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Sigmoid Function



The function

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

which is the solution to the Ordinary Differential Equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx}=y(1-y).$$

It has an inflection point at x = 0, where

$$y''(x) = -\frac{e^x(e^x-1)}{(e^x+1)^3} = 0.$$

See also Exponential Function, Exponential Ramp

References

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Posterior probability

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